

# Safety Training



CERT students, Felita Sampson, left, and her "buddy" Earlean Everett, right, from Montgomery Plaza, lock wrists to create a seat for victims during hands-on training.

The Shelby County Office of Preparedness, in partnership with Ready Shelby, is taking disaster preparedness to the inner city.

Eugene Jones, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Coordinator, and his team of certified instructors, recently spent four consecutive Saturdays on location with inner city residents teaching them about disaster preparedness.

The residents, who live at Foote Holmes Public Housing, 578 Mississippi Blvd, and at Montgomery Plaza Public Housing, 1395 Pennsylvania, participated in this special training.

The enthusiastic students, ranging in age from seniors to toddlers, learned about the many hazards and threats that may happen here in Shelby County that include earthquakes, inclement weather, power outages, terrorism, major fires, and hazardous materials releases. They were taught what to do before, during and after these disasters and the importance of being a "buddy" to each other.

During the training, which included lectures, videos and hands-on exercises, they learned how to create a disaster kit, safely shut off utilities, extinguish a small fire with an ABC fire extinguisher, light search and rescue techniques, how to triage victims and apply first aid, stay safe from terrorism, and how to avoid hazardous materials.

In addition to being presented new and useful preparedness information and learning survival skills, these students gained a newfound confidence that they can play a part in their own survival when emergencies happen. And they are excited!

The proud CERT graduates received a laminated ID card, a certificate from Citizen Corps and the Office of Preparedness, a red Ready Shelby "go kit" bag, and a gift card from Wal-Mart to purchase disaster preparedness supplies.

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# Greetings from the Mayor



Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.

Shelby County Government has had a very busy summer. The Transition Planning Commission completed its work to lay out a plan for the upcoming unified school system. The merging of the two school systems - Memphis City School and Shelby County School – was a major task for the volunteers appointed to the Commission. Let's continue to show our appreciation and thank them when we see them in public. You can find their names on their website page, http://www.ourvoiceourschools.org/.

We are completing the final steps of assessing the performance evaluation process. Hopefully, you will find the process to be more streamlined and specific to your job description. The new process will help identify efficiencies and accountability. Your input has been valuable.

I encourage you to participate in the many activities and initiatives supported by the County. You are the best asset the county has to make a difference. There are many "walks" and "runs" to support health initiatives, like St. Jude, American Heart Association, Infant Mortality, etc. United Way is a county-wide campaign that has been supported by Shelby County Government for many years. Let's continue to show that we care to the many agencies United Way serves.

I admire your enthusiasm to give your time to community causes. In this edition, you will read about a car wash fundraiser sponsored by the Sheriff's Department to help a coworker who was hurt in a car accident. The Sheriff's Office also teamed up with MLGW to help build handicap ramps for disabled citizens.

Thank you for all the good work you do – on the job and off!

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#### Mayor Luttrell on the Move...

- 07/02/12 Unity in the Community on Humber Street: Family Fun Day
- 07/03/12 Millington's Annual Flag City Freedom Celebration
- 07/09/12 Elected Officials Prayer Breakfast
- 07/09/12 Stand for Children Fine Arts Committee Meet and Greet
- 07/09/12 Regional Town Hall TPC Meeting
- 07/10/12 "Meet the Mayor" sessions
- 07/11/12 Regional Town Hall TPC Meeting
- 07/11/12 Cordova Annexation Town hall Meeting
- 07/12/12 Remarks Project Homeless Connect
- 07/12/12 Remarks Federal Express Retiree Luncheon
- 07/12/12 Remarks Infrastructure 2012: Spotlight on Leadership Dialogue
- 07/13/12 Remarks MDA Memphis Business Center open House
- 07/16/12 Baptist Centennial Celebration
- 07/17/12 "Walk and Talk" of Northaven with Channel 5
- 07/19/12 Remarks Peer Power Tutoring and Mentoring Program
- 07/19/12 Keynote Speaker Frayser Exchange Meeting
- 07/19/12 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration of the Late Bishop J.O Patterson, Sr.
- 07/24/12 Remarks Lindenwood Christ Church's summer camp
- 07/24/12 Interview Commercial Appeal
- 07/25/12 Present Proclamation: Fox 13 Anchors/Summer Harvest Food Drive
- 07/26/12 Kiwanis Club Meeting with David Keith
- 07/26/12 Mayor's Young Professional Collaborative
- 07/26/12 Community Cookout in support of Arlington
- 07/28/12 Remarks Ribbon Cutting for former fire station in Northaven
- 07/29/12 Remarks 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Memphis interfaith Dinner



Mayor Luttrell proclaimed July 25, 2012 as "Summer Harvest Day" to recognize the efforts of the Mid-South Food Bank.



Mayor Luttrell joined "Unity in the Community" President Keeva Matthews, Congressman Steve Cohen and neighbors on Humber Street for their annual 4th of July celebration.



Walgreen's donated 100 box fans to the Aging Commission of the Mid-South. Joining Mayor Luttrell were Scott McKillop (Walgreen's), Mark Lehner (Walgreen's), Dora Ivey (Aging Commission, and Kathryn Coulter (Aging Commission).

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# **Healthy Vending is Here!**

Mayor Mark Luttrell believes that employees and visiting members of the public deserve greater choice and access to healthy food and beverage items on public property. "I have come to understand the strong relationship between diet and health, and the increasing rates of overweight and obesity make my support of nutritious choices at work part of my commitment to your health," said the Mayor. The following policies and guidelines were designed to make healthy food and beverage options the easy choice, while being supportive of the individual right to choose. By implementing these guidelines, we will promote better health and help reduce our risks for chronic diseases.

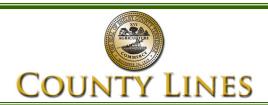
The goal of this policy change is to ensure that healthy options are available for purchase at Shelby County Government (SCG) facilities since employees spend a significant amount of time at work, make multiple food choices at work, and often patronize vending machines. The Executive Order, which has been signed by Mayor Mark Luttrell, applies to all vending machines on any public properties serviced by licensed blind vendors, private third party vendors, and private vending companies. The Healthy Vending policy will be implemented on September 30, 2012!

SCG has chosen to use the *Fit Pick* program, which is a vending program designed to help consumers determine which choices are lower in fat and sugar than traditionally vended products. The *Fit Pick* nutritional criteria are based on the dietary recommendations of the American Heart Association, the 2005 USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans, and the Alliance for a Healthier Generation for Competitive Foods. Fifty percent (50%) of foods offered in each vending machine shall meet the following criteria: 35-10-35 - no more than 35% of total calories from fat, no more than 10% of calories from saturated fat, and no more than 35% of total product weight from sugar. Fifty percent (50%) of beverages in each vending machine will also meet standards minimizing calories from sweeteners and fat content, and promoting 100% fruit and vegetable juices.

Shelby County Government has partnered with Tennessee Business Enterprises (TBE) and the blind vendors to make this healthy vending project successful. TBE is a food service business operated by the State of Tennessee. Its mission is to provide entrepreneurial opportunities for legally blind citizens of our state who have been trained and licensed to manage food service and vending facilities. With their assistance, we will be able to easily identify healthy food items in the vending machines. Look for the *Fit Pick* sticker. Thank you for your survey input. Enjoy the healthy options!







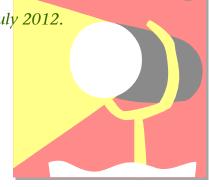
# **Department News**

# **Shelby County Promotions Spotlight**

The following Shelby County employees were promoted during the month of July 2012.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Position</u>
Allen, Carla	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Alston, Derrick	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Booker, Cecil	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Captain
Bradshaw, Heidi	Human Resources	Human Resources Specialist
Brown, Carlton	Chancery Court	Lead Accounting Clerk
Brown, Harry	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Clark, Barry	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Clark, Marcus	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Crawford, Lisa	Circuit Court Clerk	Manager B
Cunningham, Chad	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Cunningham, Faith	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Captain
Donaldson, Gary	Chancery Court	Accounting Clerk
Ducrest, David	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Captain
Dunn, Sarah	Info Tech	Programmer Analyst Sr.
Edmonds, David	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Captain
Goforth, Richard	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Graham, Ladonna	Juvenile Court Clerk	Supervisor B
Gray, Roy	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
Harris, Oscar	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Captain
Harrison, Rosalind	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
Hatchett, Gracie	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
Helms, Gary	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
Hillman, Natalie	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Jefferson, Charles	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Jones, Andre	Support Services	Foreman B
Keaton, Matthew	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Lewis, Andrea	General Sessions	Principal Court Clerk
Malone, Vicky	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
Masters, James	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Masters, Janice	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
Mays, Charles	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
McCoy, Ricky	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
Mills, John	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
Myles, Peter	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Page, Jonathan	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Rada IV, John	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Rogers, Gary	SHERIF	Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant
Rogers, Rosalyn	Corrections	Counselor A
Scott, Keisha	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Simmons, Robert	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Simonsen, Bret	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Smith Jr., Lawrence	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
Vassar, Kena	Public Defender	Manager A
Weirich, Brent	Juvenile Court Clerk	Process Officer II
Williams, David	Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant
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#### **Finance Department**

Travel Reimbursement

The reimbursement rates for travel remains unchanged.

- <u>Lodging</u>—Use federal government CONUS (Continental United States) rates or actual costs, whichever is lower.
- <u>Meals</u>—Use federal government CONUS per diem rate, updated on October 1st each year.
- <u>Mileage</u>—reimbursed at \$.47 per mile.

For more information, please visit <a href="http://myshelbyounty.shelby.elink/">http://myshelbyounty.shelby.elink/</a> under "Finance/Travel" on the Shelby County intranet page.

#### Ponderable:

Who was the Emmy Awards named after? It was not named after? It was not named after a person like the Tony and offer a standing achievements in television. After many suggestions, Hubert Lubcke, a pioneer television and future president of the academy (1949-1950) offered offer are are circuitry at the time), and it prevailed.

Source: Feldman, D. (1987, 1989, 1990), Life's imponderables, the answers to civilization's most perplexing questions. Edison, NY: Galahad Books.



#### **Department News**

#### **Shelby County Sheriff's Office**

Project MAX

Lt. Fred Hughes of the **Shelby County Sheriff's Office Detective Division** spearheaded Project MAX, a program in conjunction with MLGW wheelchair ramp-building project. This year, volunteers from the Sheriff's Office showed up in mass numbers, even in extreme heat, to build several ramps and help those less fortunate. *Congratulations to all for their efforts!* 









#### **Mayor's Office**

Summer Harvest Day



Fox 13 Morning News Anchor Darcy Thomas, Estella Mayhue-Greer, President and CEO, Mid-South Food Bank, Barbara and Tom Southwell.

Mayor Luttrell proclaimed July 25, 2012 as "Summer Harvest Day" to recognize the efforts of the Mid-South Food Bank. The mayor read the proclamation "on air" with Fox 13 News, which co-sponsored the all-day food drive near the corner of Walnut Grove at Highland.

During the broadcast, the mayor honored Mr. and Mrs. Tom Southwell. Earlier this year the Southwells met personally with Mayor Luttrell about their idea for a campaign against hunger. That meeting with Mayor Luttrell led to the "Summer Harvest" event.

By day's end, a food bank truck had been filled with canned goods and other items donated by the community. Other citizens dropped by to donate money to the food bank.

Mayor Luttrell's Health Policy Advisor, Dr. Kenneth Robinson, also appeared live on FOX 13. Dr. Robinson talked about the mayor's "Healthy Shelby" initiative which not only focuses on the types of food people should eat, but the importance of exercise and getting routine medical checkups.



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# **Department News**

#### **Shelby County Jail Division**

One of our Own—Reginald Wilson

Shelby County Office Reginald Wilson was in a very bad car accident on March 18, 2012. Reginald is still hospitalized and has undergone several surgeries. His surgeries have included amputating both foot limbs—a leg and a foot. Reginald's recovery will be long and stressful to his family and friends.

A car wash was held to raise funds to help defray some of Reginald's household expenses and medical costs.



#### **Shelby County Health Department**

Volunteer Opportunities

The MRC volunteers help Shelby County residents prepare for emergencies and supplement existing emergency and public health resources to respond to emergencies. Volunteers also educate the community at health fairs and community emergency preparedness events and promote healthy living throughout the year.

MRC volunteers include medical and public health professionals such as nurses, physicians, veterinarians and non-medical professionals such as interpreters, chaplains, office workers, teachers, college students and others—that can fill key support positions. Volunteers receive training in the incident command system, and participate in exercises that improve their skills in emergency preparedness and response. For example, the volunteers have recently been involved in a point of dispensing exercise, active shooter exercise and dirty bomb exercise, and received training in Mass Prophylaxis, CPR and Personal and Family Preparedness.

To volunteer for the Medical Reserve Corps, go to <a href="https://www.shelbycountytn.gov/mrcvolunteers">www.shelbycountytn.gov/mrcvolunteers</a> or email <a href="mailto:jen-nifer.russell@shelbycountytn.gov">jen-nifer.russell@shelbycountytn.gov</a>.

# **Shelby County Clerk's Office**

Number 1!



L-R: Wayne Mashburn- Shelby County Clerk, Earline Wilson -Supervisor, Tishana Sharp, Twanda Leake, and Zola Burgess

Shelby County Clerk Wayne Mashburn was pleased to announce that the Shelby County Clerk's office placed Number One in the state for the amount of money raised during the months of May & June for organ and tissue donor awareness. "Tennesseans have given generously when renewing vehicle tags and have helped educate more people than ever on the im-

portance of organ and tissue donation and "Saying Yes" when renewing their driver's license or I.D. card."

One of the programs implemented was a friendly competition among local offices. For the second month in a row, the Poplar Plaza branch raised the most money. A special presentation and plaque was presented by **Shelby County Clerk Wayne Mashburn** and representatives of Mid-South Transplant Foundation (MSTF) to Earline Wilson, Supervisor of the **Poplar Plaza Branch**, and her employees, on **July 5**th. Local news media also covered the announcement.



# **Northaven Community Center Opening**



A new community center has been opened to serve residents in Northaven thanks to a partnership between Impact Baptist Church and Shelby County Government.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Northwest Shelby County Community Center was held on July  $28^{th}$ . It utilizes a former Shelby County fire station on North Circle Road.

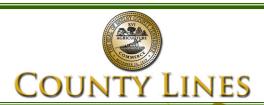
"We had a vision for this community center years ago when we first talked with Mayor Luttrell about the idea while he was sheriff. Now, we've got a program in place, which lets Northaven residents know of our commitment to serve them," said Dr. Michael Ellis, Senior Pastor of Impact Baptist Church.

"This is a significant accomplishment for this area of Shelby County. We believe the center will help our efforts to revitalize the Northaven community and the surrounding neighborhoods," said Shelby County Mayor Mark H. Luttrell, Jr. during the building dedication ceremony.

Shelby County Commissioner Terry Roland also gave remarks. "It's a new day in Northaven. We've been with you all the way. And we'll remain committed to this neighborhood," said Commissioner Roland.

Shelby County Sheriff Bill Oldham also talked about the collaboration between the sheriff's office and the Northaven Community Association. "I, and members of the command staff, stay in routine contact with the residents at monthly meetings at Northaven Elementary School. We'll continue to have our uniformed and undercover deputies in the area to help ensure the safety of the residents," said Sheriff Oldham.

Northaven Elementary School Principal Louis Padgett, who hosts the community association meetings at the school, says the new community center will be a new anchor for the community.



#### About Shelby County

Shelby County was established in 1819. It is the state's largest county both in terms of population and geographic area. Its county seat is Memphis. It is part of the Memphis Metropolitan Statistical Area, which comprises eight counties in the three states of Tennessee, Mississippi, and Arkansas. Shelby County was named for Governor Isaac Shelby (1750-1826) of Kentucky.

Shelby County is governed by a mayor-commissioner form of government under a Home Rule Charter that went into effect on September 1, 1986. Each serves a 4-year term. Together, the administration and the Board of County Commissioners are responsible for governing the most populous of Tennessee's 95 counties. The county's personnel staff of approximately 6,270 people have the direct duty of providing services for 910,100 citizens according to the 2007 estimated census data.

Mark H. Luttrell, Jr., was elected as Shelby County Mayor on August 5. 2010.



#### **JULY 2012 ANNIVERSARIES**

40 Years of Service

Atwater, Dennis E, Firefighter Driver Newsom, David C, Admin Asst

#### 35 Years of Service

**Atwater. Dennis E. Firefighter Driver** Newsom, David C, Admin Asst

#### 30 Years of Service

**Atwater, Dennis E**, Firefighter Driver Newsom, David C, Admin Asst

#### 25 Years of Service

Alberson, Michael J, Codes Enf Elec Insp Alsobrooks Jr, Charlie, Custodial Wkr Brittenum Jr, Dedrick, Attorney P/T Sal Cobb, Shellie L, Collections Counselor Dunavin, Nina J, Sheriff Ptl Officer Jones, Djuna S, Deputy Court Clk Joyce, Elaine, Medical Assistant Lanos, John O, Foreman A Sims, Barry E, Health Inspector C Watkins, Carolyn, Administrator Wright Sr, Steve, Painter Ii



#### July 2012 Retirees Employee, (Yrs of Svc) & Department

Katherine A. Belote (13), Register Office Cynthia Buchanan (15), OPD Doris H. Burress (12), Circuit Court David L. Chattman (22), Sheriff's Office

> Pattve L. Destefanis (26), Sheriff's Office

Ileana M. Feltman (33), The Med Mary C. Ferraris (20), Juvenile Court John Lewis Hardy (28), Code Enforcement

Mark E. King (26), Sheriff's Office John O. Lanos (25), Correction Center

Anthony R. Lathan (33), The Med Leslie A. Morris (27), Support Services Janice Mullins (8), Correction Center

Thomas B. Schachner (23), **Health Services** 

Jacqueline D. Smith (27), Sheriff's Office

Brenda L. Speight (30), **Health Services** 

Jeannette G. Stanback (28), Public Defender Albert Veglio (25), Sheriff's Office

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# **JULY 2012 CONDOLENCES**

Condolences

Below is a list of employees who lost a loved one this month. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

#### **Employee**

Susan Gylfe Carolyn Sfakianos Mary Ann Henderson Health Department Katha Robards Melissa Baines Carla Bell Felicia (Lisa) Walton Linda Johnson Eddie Haley, Jr. Tamara Cruther Linda K. Lawrence

#### **Department**

**Juvenile Court** Road, Bridges & Eng. **Iuvenile Court** Mayor's Office Assessor's Office Assessor's Office **Health Department** Election Commission Health Department Regional Services

#### **Relative**

Harley Edgar Gylfe Kenneth A. Sfakianos Clarence Liggons, Sr. Lewis Robards Lizzie Gray Joseph Bell Sadie Lee Walton Eddie Haley, Sr. Eddie Haley, Sr. Eddie Haley, Sr. William C. Brown, Jr.

#### Relations

Father Son Brother Husband Mother Niece Mother Father-In-Law Father Granddaughter Daughter-In-Law